

OLD COMMONWEALTH.

HARRISONBURG, VA.

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 8, 1879.

Poindester has been refused a new trial.

Nine hundred and forty nine buildings have been destroyed by fire at Orenburg, Russia.

The Planters' National Bank of Richmond has been recommended for the Richmond agency for refunding of the bonds.

Judge Field, of the Supreme Court of the United States, has recently decided that the test oath is unconstitutional.

Senator Conklin missed the greatest opportunity of his life in not being on hand to give his daughter away in marriage a few evenings since. Horatio Seymour, a better man, did it for him.

Prof. J. L. Campbell, of the Washington and Lee University, believes that the phosphate deposit discovered along the Pamunkey River is identical with the South Carolina phosphate on the Ashley River.

In his charge to the Grand Jury of the U. S. Court on Tuesday, Judge Rives adverted to the course pursued at the Lynchburg and Danville terms regarding the indictment of County Judges, stating that the case being now before the Supreme Court of the United States, he would take no further action until a decision is reached by that tribunal.

The Richmond *Intelligencer* has gone into the President making business on a sluce of brass extensiveness quite alarming. Its last issue contains a cut of Senator Davis whom it styles, "Presidential candidate of the great combination to be formed against Grant in 1880." The *Intelligencer* needn't get out of breath; there is plenty of time yet, and when the time comes it is by no means certain the *Intelligencer* will have the key of the combination.

COMMUNICATED.

[For the Commonwealth.]

McGHEESVILLE, Va., May 5, 1879.
TO THE VOTERS OF STONEWALL TOWNSHIP.—Asber Argenbright, J. H. Slipp and W. D. Midden have consented to serve as Magistrates for this township. If elected, also James M. Weaver, Esq., as Supervisor. They are gentlemen honored and respected in the community in which they live. Whilst they have a high appreciation of and due regard for the stern majesty of the law, yet are they so imbued with the "milk of human kindness" as to temper its severity with mercy. They are of those who do not yield in blind submission to technicalities, but decide questions upon their merits and upon principles of common sense and justice, and a grateful people do say of them, "well done good and faithful servants," and will further recognize the debt of gratitude due by electing them to the office which they have filled with so much honor to themselves and satisfaction to the community.

MARY VOTERS.

[For the Commonwealth.]

KREZLETOWN, Va., May 5, 1879.
MESSRS. EDITORS.—In the COMMONWEALTH of Maryland, there appeared a call upon me to become a candidate for Magistrate to serve in the Krezletown end of Central District. In reply I would respectfully say that if my friends and fellow citizens demand my services I feel it my duty to serve them, and if elected will cheerfully do so, to the best of my humble ability, although I shall make no active exertions to secure an election.

ARCH'D TAYLOR.

A powerful and ferocious jaguar belonging to the London Circus was set free by a tramp while stealing a ride on the circus train between Washington and York, Penna., on Thursday night last. The animal is more voracious than a tiger and was valued at \$1500. Early on Friday morning the mangled remains of a man were found 15 miles from York, doubtless a victim of the beast. The country is greatly excited.

A car load of dynamite exploded in the Great Trunk freight yard at Stratford, Ontario, on Wednesday, shaking the earth for miles around. Two men were blown to atoms and several others badly injured. Windows were broken a mile distant; 100 freight cars were smashed to splinters. A pound weight of iron was hurled through a loss window half a mile distant. Loss \$25,000.

General Alfred Sully, U. S. A., died at Vancouver barracks, Oregon, on the 28th. He was a son of Thomas Sully, the famous artist, native of Philadelphia, a graduate of West Point. He served in the Florida, Mexican, and late war, participating in the battles of Malvern Hill, Fair Oaks, Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville. He had family connections in Eastern Virginia.

The seven miners caught by a fall of rock and coal in a mine at Sugar Notch, near Wilkesbarre, Pa., on Wednesday last were rescued yesterday. They had subsisted upon mule manure and water, and were in good condition. There was great rejoicing over their rescue. The stockholders presented the men with \$100 each, and a concert is also to be given for their benefit.

The trial of Thos. Buford, for the murder of Judge Elliott, was begun before the Frankfort (Ky.) Criminal Court yesterday. Judge Curtis, of New York, is one of the counsel for defense. State's Attorney Montfort will be assisted by Col. W. C. P. Breckinridge, Gen. John Rodman and others.

W. F. Caswell, assistant city treasurer of San Francisco, committed suicide on Monday by shooting himself through the head. He was led in to unfortunate speculations by Alex. Austin, late tax collector, who recently killed himself. Both were defaulters.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Fruit prospect is fine in Luray. Fredericksburg is to have water works.

The hog cholera prevails in King George.

Dr. Samuel B. Christian, of Amherst, died suddenly on the 27th ult.

Dr. J. P. Hammet, a prominent physician of Montgomery county, is dead.

The residence of Rev. Jas. A. Davis, of Bedford county burned a few days since.

Madison county votes on a \$50,000 donation to the Narrow Gauge railway in June.

Dr. H. L. Thomas, a prominent physician of Richmond, died of apoplexy on Friday night last.

W. A. Scott, a colored school teacher, is running for commissioner of the revenue in Roanoke county.

Palmer, recently shot by Dr. Cabell, lies in a critical condition at Chatham. Cabell has not yet been arrested.

Mr. George Morris, of Louisa, has been appointed by Judge Rives clerk of the U. S. Court at Danville, vice C. P. Latham resigned.

Mrs. Luckard, wife of Straughn Luckard, of King William, kindled a fire with kerosene a few days since and was burned to death.

A suit just decided against the Fredericksburg and Alexandria R. R. gives Carter M. Braxton and associate contractors of Fredericksburg, \$25,000.

Wheat is very unpromising in Albemarle; winter oats a failure; great prospect for fruit; large crop of corn being planted; farm hands forty cents a day.

A writ of habeas corpus is to be sent out in behalf of the negro Kenney, now under sentence of five years in Richmond penitentiary for marrying a white woman.

Two teachers of the crystal ivory type named Jacobs and Baysal swindled 25 lady pupils and several hotels, stores, etc., in Richmond and went elsewhere suddenly.

"Belham," the home of the Misses Kean, of Goodland, was destroyed by fire in the night of the 29th. The young ladies barely escaped with their lives. The fire is supposed to have been incendiary.

By an explosion of nitro glycerine at the Granite Works, near Richmond, on Friday last, a convict named John Mead was so terribly mutilated that he died in half an hour. Another, Larkin Walker, was dangerously injured.

Mr. John S. Barbour, accompanied by a gentleman from Pennsylvania largely interested in iron, is inspecting the Pittsylvania mines. Large shipments of ore are already being made from them to Pennsylvania.

A bogus land buyer has been sent to the penitentiary for two years in Richmond. He bought a farm near that city a few days since, giving a bogus draft for \$2,000. In another case he gave \$1,000 bogus check.

In the synagogue in Lynchburg on last Wednesday, occurred the first public marriage ever celebrated in that city according to Hebrew forms. It was the marriage of Mr. Renben Lendheim of New York to Miss Horstense Guggenheimer of Lynchburg, an accomplished and amiable young lady. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. George Jacobs, of Philadelphia, a distinguished Rabbi, and was impressive and new to most of the spectators.

RELIGIOUS FRENZY.

A FATHER MAKES A BLOODY SACRIFICE OF HIS CHILD.

On the 1st, Charles F. Freeman, of Pocasset, Mass., in a fit of religious frenzy killed his five-year old daughter, Edith. The man is a "Second Adventist," and has become greatly excited during the last few days while attending a series of revival meetings. About a week ago he claimed to have received "wonderful revelations," and has not eaten or slept since. He says the Lord directed him to sacrifice his little daughter, and declared that she will rise again in 3 days. The little one was stabbed with a knife by his insane father, and her blood was poured out upon a table which was improvised as an altar. Freeman has driven every one from his house, and has not yet been secured. He locked and barred the doors and windows, and being provided with firearms, he threatened death to anyone who interfered. Freeman is about thirty five years old, and lives with his wife and family on his farm at Pocasset, and is in moderate circumstances.

Further particulars state that Freeman was the mail-carrier at Pocasset, between the railroad station and the postoffice. He woke his wife at 3.30 o'clock Thursday morning and told her he must make a sacrifice to the Lord of his youngest daughter. He got up, took the child from her bed and stabbed her in the side with a butcher knife, causing her death. His wife said it was all right, and that Abraham would raise her up next Sunday. Freeman says the child gave one scream and died a minute afterwards. It is stated that the Second Adventists held a meeting at Freeman's house the same afternoon, and appeared to wish the affair kept quiet. Freeman carried the mail as usual, and showed no signs of insanity. The cause of the terrible deed appears to be religious excitement alone. He informed a reporter that he was told by God to offer Edith, his young and beautiful daughter, as a sacrifice to him, that he did so, as God would not stay his hand. He had to do His command, and He would justify his act.

Two robbers attempted to rob the Working Men's Savings Bank, Pittsburg, at noon on the 30th. The cashier, who was alone at the time, captured a revolver placed at his head and opened fire on his assailants. They got away with \$1,600.

Paul Boynton completed his task of swimming from Old City Pa., to New Orleans through the Allegheny, Ohio and Mississippi rivers, a distance of 2,342 miles on Sunday evening 30th, having been the greatest part of 80 days and nights afloat in his rubber suit.

VALLEY ITEMS.

The scenery for the Staunton theater will cost \$695.

Staunton's pork packing factory has slaughtered 733 hogs thus far.

Hereafter no entry fee will be charged on articles entered at the Augusta Fair.

The *Vindicator* says Mr. Cartmel, late of the American Hotel of that city, will manage White Sulphur this Summer.

Hon. Jno. W. Daniel, will deliver the commencement address at New Market Polytechnic Institute on the 29th.

Hon. Marshal Hanger, of Augusta, refused to take the \$180 allowed members of the Legislature for the extra session.

Wm. Campbell some time since, caught a yellow sucker 22 inches long which he says is the largest he ever caught.—*Page Courier*.

The Staunton liquor dealers claim that the 12 cent tax should have been in April, as the law says it shall be in force from its passage.

Mysterious incendiaries have been setting fire to the barn, hay-stack, woodpiles and timbers on Mr. A. A. Sprout's property, in Augusta.

A few days since Wm. F. Grayson caught under the dam at Bixler Ferry a black bass, 17 1/2 inches long and weighing 5 pounds.—*Page Courier*.

The Highland *Recorder* reports that a trout measuring 22 1/2 inches, and another measuring 16 1/2 inches, have been caught in Jackson's River recently.

Capt. Jack Moore, of Mount Jackson, has entered into a contract with the B. & O. R. R. to the Luray Cave. Twenty horses and four or five stages will be used.

Leonidas Aiken and Miss Belle W. Cline, W. L. Mason and Miss Virginia Frank, two runaway couples from Capon Springs, were married on the bridge at Harper's Ferry on the 29th.

Mr. John Wilson, of Head Waters, writes to the Highland *Recorder* that his son, George, who went to Staunton to have his picture taken, has gone to Kansas and not to California as reported, and that the young man has written home several times since his departure.

We are sorry to announce that our respected citizen, Dr. J. L. Brown, father-in-law of Capt. Alex. H. Fultz, is ill at his residence in this city from the effect of a stroke of paralysis on Sunday last. Dr. Brown has been a citizen of this city for some years, and as Professor of music in the Seminaries and Public Schools has rendered good service.—*Spectator*.

A Cow Pasture correspondent of the Highland *Recorder* says: A few days since Albert Jackson, (colored), who is farming for Mr. Hamilton Gwin, plowed up the bones of 15 Confederate soldiers; being a stranger he did not know when they had been buried; they were buried there after the battle of McDowell May, '62. Mr. John T. Armstrong and others have boxed them up, and will send them to Staunton to be buried there in Thorough Cemetery.

The Staunton *Vindicator* denotes two columns to important and most encouraging improvements now going on at Lowmoro, Millboro, Clifton Forge, Cook's Furnace, Alleghany Station, Roncove, and other points along the line of the Chesapeake and Ohio R. R. Everything wears an air of newly infused vigor and coming prosperity. At Clifton Forge a new town is rapidly springing up in anticipation of the construction of the Richmond and Alleghany Railroad.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

DR. HARPER.—Your Electric Compound, in a severe case of Cramp Colic with spasm, was invaluable. It relieved her suffering instantly, and we think so valuable medicine as yours should be in every family, and is perfectly harmless. Children can use it as well as adults.

WM. COPELAND,

Near Melrose,

P. S.—You can buy this medicine only of the Doctor himself, he has no agents.

JOHN WALLACE has removed to the Spotswood Bar next to Otr's. Don't forget it. [Im]

REMOVED.

I would respectfully announce to my friends and patrons that I have removed my stock of Fine Liquors, Wines, &c., to the old Spotswood Bar, adjoining Otr's Drug Store, which favorite resort I have rented for a term of years, and I propose in the future, as in the past, to keep the finest stock of Pure Liquors to be found in the Valley. Including the celebrated "D. F. Clemmer" Whiskey, also the favorite "Monticello" brand. JOHN WALLACE, [Im] Spotswood Bar.

Milwaukee Lager Beer on draught, cool and sparkling, also bottled for family use; \$1.00 per dozen, at WALLACE'S, Spotswood Bar, next to Otr's Drug Store. [Im]

I desire to inform my friends and the public that I have rented for a term of years the Pollock property, formerly known as the "Gem Saloon," where, from this date, I will be glad to welcome my old patrons, country friends, and the travelling public.

I will keep constantly on hand the finest assortment of pure wines and liquors to be found in the Valley, including the famous brands of Clemmer, Buegardner and Monticello whiskeys. Fresh and cool Lager Beer will be drawn directly from the keg.

My superior facilities enable me to maintain a first class restaurant, and to serve meals at all hours, furnishing to order the best market will afford. Lunches always ready.

My aim will be to keep a first class house and conduct it in such a manner as to make it a pleasant resort for gentlemen. Call and see me in my new quarters. McCENNEY.

I have established myself with a fine stock of Pure Liquors in the "Hole in the wall," lately occupied by John Wallace. I have on hand a superior line of the best home-made whiskeys including D. F. Clemmer and Buegardner, also the celebrated "Monticello" whiskey. A full assortment of wines. Lager Beer on draught cool and fresh. Call and see "Dan," at the "Hole in the wall" on Star Spotswood Hotel, South end, next to Stephen's Livery stable. [Im]

DAK. O'DONNELL.

HALL'S VEGETABLE SICHUAN HAIR REGENERATOR is a scientific combination of some of the most powerful restorative agents in the vegetable kingdom. It restores gray hair to its original color. It makes the scalp white and clean. It cures dandruff and humors, and falling-out of the hair. It furnishes the nutritive principle by which the hair is nourished and supported. It makes the hair moist, soft and glossy, and is unsurpassed as a hair dressing. It is the most economical preparation ever offered to the public, as its effects remain a long time, making only an occasional application necessary. It is recommended and used by eminent medical men, and endorsed by the State Assayer of Massachusetts. The popularity of Hall's Hair Regenerator has increased with the test of many years, both in this country and foreign lands, and it is now known and used in all the civilized countries of the world.

FOR SALE BY ALL DEALERS. (8)

Opinion of the Celebrated Dr. R. S. Steuart, President of the Maryland Hospital, Baltimore.

I have the pleasure to say that I have used the tonic called Golden "Laidig's Liquid Extract of Beef," in this Institution and in private practice, for more than a year, and can recommend it as one of the most efficient preparations I have ever met with. It combines the virtue of food and tonic in a remarkable way, and I am satisfied it has been the means of saving life when no other medicine could do so. Sold by all druggists. apr. 17-1m

MARRIED.

April 22, 1879, by Rev. Frederick Wampler, Joseph N. B. Kratzer and Laura L. Kimpwiler, all of this county.

April 26, 1879, by Rev. G. J. Bondabush, Abram C. Farmer and Hannah R. Sellers, all of this county.

May 1, 1879, by Rev. S. Henkel, Marion G. Tusing, of Madison county, and Lydia C. Mills, of this county.

MARRIAGE INTENTIONS.

Licenses issued but not returned are as follows: April 24—Robert Morris to Martha J. Harman.

25—Wm. Reddick to E. E. Taylor.

28—Allen Green to Mary E. Brown.

New Advertisements.

DR. RIVES TATUM, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON, Harrisonburg, Va., has removed his office to his residence, corner of West-Market and German streets. [my8-1f]

PLANTS! PLANTS!!

TOMATO, CABBAGE, BEET, AND SWEET POTATO Plants of Different Varieties, for sale at BARK ROW. The only place in town where you can get 25 lbs of Sugar or 8 lbs Good Coffee for \$1.00. Orders by mail promptly filled.

JOHN S. LEWIS.

PURE LIQUORS AT RETAIL.

HAVING established myself under the Spotswood Hotel for the sale of

Beard's Pure Augusta County Whiskey,

I am prepared to sell the best article, from our own distillery, at a LOWER PRICE than the same quality of liquor can be bought at elsewhere. This is a CHROMIOLITE BY GEO. C. CONYER, and is of the highest quality. The public will be served by Hat Pitt, Pitt, Quab, or Oatton. Give me a call.

W. M. COPELAND, 12-2EARD, Under Spotswood Hotel.

SHOES! SHOES!

Hats! Hats! The largest stock of SHOES and HATS in town at

Bottom Figures.

I am also prepared to take measures and make

ANY KIND OF SHOES TO ORDER.

Give me a trial and you shall be satisfied at

HELLER'S

HAT AND SHOE STORE.

NEW GOODS!

Special Announcement!

My New Goods, embracing a Full and Complete

Stock of Seasonable DRY GOODS, will be in store

this week, and I respectfully invite the attention of

my old friends and customers to the same, and propose

to sell to them CHEAPER than ever, having bought my New Stock for Cash.

Respectfully,

H. E. WOOLF.

REMOVED.

I have changed my base of business from

EAST MARKET STREET,

To the store-room recently occupied by D. E. Long,

SOUTH SIDE OF COURT-HOUSE SQUARE.

TO DEALERS, THOSE GOING TO HOUSEKEEPING,

OR FAMILIES WHO HAVE LONG KEPT

HOUSE, I WOULD SAY THAT

KEEP JUST WHAT YOU ALL

OF QUEENSWAY, GLASS AND TINSWARE, AND ALL KINDS OF

HOUSEKEEPING GOODS,

To which I invite the attention of all, and which I

will sell at wholesale or retail at Baltimore City prices.

Country Merchants had better make a note of this first

LAUREST STOCK IN THE VALLEY. PRICES THE LOWEST. Call to see me at my new place of business.

Respectfully,

J. A. LOEWENBACH, Agent.

Commissioner's Sale

PURSUANT to a decree of the Circuit Court of

Rockingham county, rendered at the January

Term, 1879, in the Chancery cause of John T. Harris vs. J. C. Shoemaker, I shall sell at

public sale, in front of the Court-House of said

county, on Friday, the 30th day of MAY, 1879,

several Tracts of land situated in said county,

containing respectively 57, 41 and 148 acres, or so

far as the same may be necessary to pay the debts

reported in said cause and the costs of suit and sale, it

being the same land of which John Shoemaker died

testate.

TERMS.—One-fourth in hand and the balance in

equal installments at six, twelve and eighteen months,

with interest, from the day of sale; the purchaser to

execute bonds with approved personal security, and a

lien to be retained in the land until the purchase

money is paid in full. \$2.00 to commence at 12 o'clock, p. m.

OF SALLS, Z. O'FERRALL, Comm'r.

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Wholesale and Retail Grocers, IN THE PARTLOW BUILDING, MAIN STREET, HARRISONBURG, VA.,

Where you will find at all times the largest stock of

BAYNET'S FINE SALT,
DEAKIN'S FINE SALT,
GROUND ALUM SALT,
WEST'S EXTRA KEROSENE OIL, (the purest and safest oil in the market.)
SKUTTS—ALL GRADES,
NEW ORLEANS MOLASSES—ALL GRADES,
PORTO RICO MOLASSES—ALL GRADES,
RIO COFFEE,
LAGUYRA COFFEE,
OLD GOVERNMENT JAVA COFFEE,
ROASTED RIO COFFEE,
ROASTED LAGUYRA COFFEE,
ROASTED JAVA COFFEE,
CANNED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES OF ALL KINDS,
BROOMS, BUCKETS,
WASH TUBS,
CEDAR HALF BUSHEL MEASURES,
CEDAR PECK MEASURES,
WIRE SIFTERS,
HORSE BRUSHES,
CURRY COMBS,
NEW ORLEANS SUGARS,
BROWN SUGARS,
WHITE "A" SUGARS,
GRANULATED SUGARS,
CRUSHED SUGARS,
CUT LOAF SUGARS,
WATER AND SODA CRACKERS,
LEMON BISCUIT,
GINGER SNAPS,
CREAM CHEESE,
ALL GRADES OF SOAP,
GROUND GINGER,
GROUND MUSTARD,
GROUND CLOVES,
GROUND PEPPER,
GRAIN PEPPER,
GRAIN ALLSPICE,
CHOICE BRANDS OF TOBACCO AND CIGARS

We also keep constantly on hand the leading brands of

Extra and Family Flour, Mill Feed, Chopped Feed, Corn and Oats.

We deliver our goods Free of Charge to any part of the town.

Remember, that we keep everything to be had in a

First-Class GROCERY and FEED STORE,

And by carrying the largest stock in town, and buying from first hands exclusively for the cash, we can and will sell you goods as low, IF NOT LOWER, than they can be had. After seeing and examining other prices, call and examine ours and see that we advertise nothing but what we can and will do. Remember the place—Partlow Building, Main Street. Respectfully,

GEO. C. CONYER.

ROHR BROS.

New Advertisements.

REAL ESTATE.

COMMISSIONERS' SALE

OF

VALUABLE REAL ESTATE!

BY VIRTUE of a decree rendered by the Circuit

Court of the county of Rockingham, Va., at the

January Term, 1879, in the two Chancery causes, to

wit: Samuel Shackett vs. Simon B. Jennings, &c.,

and Hiram A. Kite vs. Simon B. Jennings, &c., we,

the undersigned Commissioners, appointed for that

purpose, do hereby give notice that on

FRIDAY, THE 30TH DAY OF MAY, 1879,

at 11 o'clock, a. m., on the Home farm, near Conrad's

